STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The purpose of this Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) is to seek the assistance of Idaho's Congressional Delegation to improve the working relationship with land management agencies in the federal government in order to facilitate the findings and recommendations of the Final Report from the Interim Committee on Public Lands.

In addition, this SCR seeks the assistance of Idaho's Congressional delegation in asking the government to develop an economic model that would allow for self-sustaining use of public lands. This SCR would also direct the Idaho Department of Lands to enter into a long-term trust agreement with federal agencies for the management of appropriate federal lands and establish an internal working group to identify federal lands suitable for long-term lease management by the State.

Parcels of lands agreed upon for long-term lease management shall be considered under the "maximum long-term financial return" standard. The Department of Lands shall report to the Legislature annually as to the lease arrangements, management and revenue generated as outlined in authorizing legislation.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no direct fiscal impact to the general fund.

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